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concerned, for there might just as well be no constitutional provision on such subjects. The courts too would have a delicate task, for they must decide whether uniformity is desirable, and second whether state action has produced an efficient result—both of which would be social, economic and political rather than legal questions; and on both of these hardly two people will agree. One can see the new field of legislation that this new theory opens up. It would make our constitution as elastic as the English constitution as far as the division of powers is concerned. It would revolutionize our whole constitutional growth. An early decision by the Supreme Court of the United States is then to be looked forward to with great interest both by the public and by students of law and government.

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#### AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL ASSOCIATION

THE thirteenth annual meeting of the American Philosophical Association will be held at New Haven, Conn., on December 29, 30 and 31, in acceptance of the invitation of the Philosophical Department of Yale University. The sessions will begin on the afternoon of the 29th. The American Psychological Association will also meet at New Haven at the same time, and there will be one joint session of the two Associations.

The subject for consideration in this joint session is "The Standpoint and Method of Psychology." At the present time it is still uncertain whether this session will be devoted wholly to discussion of this subject, or whether a varied program will be made from among the papers offered, of a few of those that promise to be of greatest interest.

By a resolution adopted at its last meeting the Philosophical Association is this year committed to the discussion of some important problem for two sessions. This will give opportunity for both the opening papers and a subsequent adequate consideration of the subject chosen. The question selected for this main discussion is the problem of the relation of existence and value, including their relation both as facts and as concepts, and also the

relation of a theory of existence to a theory of value.

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#### AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ZOOLOGISTS

THE American Society of Zoologists, in affiliation with the American Society of Naturalists, the American Society of Anatomists and the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology, will hold a joint meeting of its eastern and central branches at Philadelphia from December 29 to January 1.

A joint meeting of the two branches of the Society is held this year in order that the report of the "Committee on organization and policy" may be considered and voted upon. This committee, consisting of E. G. Conklin, G. A. Drew and R. G. Harrison, representing the Eastern Branch; F. R. Lillie, M. M. Metcalf and W. A. Locy, representing the Central Branch, and the president of the society, *ex officio*, was appointed at the Princeton meeting and instructed to report at the meeting held in Cleveland. At the Cleveland meeting no report was received and the society continued the committee. On August 15, 1913, a meeting of the committee, called by Professor H. B. Ward, president of the society, was held at Woods Hole, at which a constitution for the society was outlined and agreed upon. At this meeting Drs. Lefevre, Reighard and Parker were invited to meet with the committee and take part in the deliberations, thus filling temporarily the places of members of the committee not at Woods Hole. The draft of the constitution formulated at this meeting was later sent to all the members of the original committee by the chairman, Dr. G. A. Drew, and certain changes and additions agreed upon have been made.

Since this meeting falls in eastern territory, the eastern branch will act as host, and, as required by the constitution, the officers of the eastern branch will be responsible for the program and other necessary arrangements. Members of both branches should, therefore,